

BROOKLYN.

CATS FOUGHT OVER HIS BODY.

Busch Was Lying Drunk in the Street at the Time.

He Sold Catnip and the Felines Wanted His Stock.

James Busch, sixty-three years old, was fined for intoxication in the Los Angeles Court, Williamsburg, today.

Policeman Young, who appeared against Busch, told Justice Murphy a peculiar story. He was patrolling North Second street at an early this morning when he saw a number of cats all bound in the same direction.

Young thought it peculiar and tracked several felines to a point near Wythe avenue. There he found a small army of cats fighting over the body of a man who was lying upon the ground.

Policeman Young at first thought the man was dead, but when, after much difficulty, he had chased the cats away, he discovered that the man, who was Busch, was only in a drunken stupor.

Busch has no home and owns a meagre livelihood by selling catnip. He became intoxicated last night and went to sleep on North Second street with a bundle of catnip by his side. His stock attracted the attention of the felines, and they engaged in a free-for-all fight to get a share of it.

But when the cats were fended by the cats, but their sharp claws failed to awaken him. When arraigned in court today, he bore many evidences of the fierce conflict that had raged over and around his prostrate form.

The next time Young found Busch, remarked Justice Murphy, "do not carry catnip with you. If you do, and you will not have a hard time of it."

FOUND DEAD IN THE RIVER.

Bodies of Two of the Britannia Firemen Recovered.

Coroner Kene, of Brooklyn, will investigate the mystery surrounding the deaths of Archibald McLeod and Neal Dow, two firemen employed on the steamship Britannia, who were found drowned at the foot of Harris street, Brooklyn, last night.

Anthony Moran, of 429 Henry street, brought the bodies ashore. At 7:30 this morning Policeman McGowan, of the 10th street station, discovered the bodies floating in the water. There are no marks of violence on either body.

BURGLARIES IN BROOKLYN.

A House Pillaged While Owner Was Absent.

Thomas Melville, thirty years old, of 117 John street, Brooklyn, was arrested this morning on a charge of burglary.

Policeman Williams, of the lower Fulton street station, saw him sneaking cautiously out of a hall adjoining a saloon kept by Edward Irwin at Plymouth and Gold streets. Melville ran away. The policeman chased him several blocks and finally caught him. Just before he was taken to the station-house he was seen to throw away a new jimmy. At the station-house he was searched and \$2.25 was found in his pocket. At day-light Policeman Williams found \$14 on Plymouth street, near the saloon. Irwin reported that \$25 had been stolen from his cash drawer.

Between 3 and 4 o'clock this morning burglars entered the apartment of Edward Weicht, 135 Bleecker street, Brooklyn, and stole jewelry worth \$50.

NUMEROUS PRISON SENTENCES.

Burglars Get Short Shifts with Judge Moore.

Judge Moore in the Brooklyn Court of Sessions sentenced the following prisoners to-day:

Joseph Hoffman, assault second degree, five years in penitentiary; Harry Bennett, burglary third degree, two years six months in penitentiary; Edward Harland, burglary third degree, two years six months in penitentiary; attempted grand larceny second degree, six years in Sing Sing; William Costello, attempted grand larceny, one year in penitentiary; Daniel Callahan, grand larceny second degree, two years six months in penitentiary; William McKelvey, grand larceny second degree, four years in Sing Sing; Thomas McCarthy, burglary third degree, three years six months in Sing Sing; John Jefferson, burglary, three years six months; James Murphy, burglary, three years six months; Henry B. Reformatory for various offenses.

TROLLEY CAR HITS A TRUCK.

Driver Thrown from His Seat and Slightly Hurt.

Trolley car 915, of the Third Avenue line, violently collided with a truck at Third Avenue and Twelfth street, South Brooklyn, at 7:30 o'clock this morning.

The car was running at high speed when it struck the truck, which was carrying a large quantity of beer. The driver, Claus Lipsius, of the Brooklyn Brewery Company, which was crossing the tracks.

The truck driver, James McDonald, twenty-four years old, of 73 Montrose street, was hurled from his seat, but escaped with few bruises except to his arm. The truck was badly damaged, and the platform of the car was partly wrecked.

HYDE & BEHMAN SUED.

Mrs. Butcher Wants \$5,000 for a Fall in Their Theatre.

Judge Van Wyck, of the City Court, Brooklyn, today heard the suit brought by Mrs. Lizzie Butcher, aged seventy-two, against Richard Hyde and Henry Behman, the theatrical managers, to recover \$5,000 damages.

The plaintiff says that on March 8 she caught her husband in a rubber suit covering in the defendants' theatre and that she fell, broke her wrist, cut her head and dislocated her shoulder.

One C. Flinty Co., 104 West 14th st., are offering automobile organs in all parts of Brooklyn in order to force sales and make room.

RUSH TO SELL STOCK.

Investors Disheartened by the Senate's Dilatory Tactics.

London Also a Bear on News from the Capitol.

Over \$5,000,000 Reading Gold Bonds to Be Sold at Auction.

Wall street, no less than the business community, was sorely disappointed with the news from Washington in regard to last night's proceedings in the Senate. The friends of unconditional repeal of the Sherman law lost heart, and the feeling was most depressed.

Those who recently ventured in the market to sell, and prices melted away rapidly. Naturally enough the industrial shares, which led the recent upward movement, suffered most.

The decline in them brought out offerings on "margin orders." London was also a seller, and it is feared that the effect of the news from the Capitol will be felt throughout Europe. The following shows the losses from last night:

Closing	Lowest	Loss
Reading	11 1/2	1/2
Am. Steel	10 1/2	1/2
Am. Sugar	10 1/2	1/2
Am. Tobacco	10 1/2	1/2
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